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GAZE AT THE NORTH STAR!

"GAZE NORTHWARD" AND BOOST THE N. A. D.

On reading Mr. Jay Cooke Howard's letter in the Journal of January 11th under the heading "Gaze Northward," I was at a loss whether to swear or laugh. But when I came to the date January 1, the laugh prevailed, for did it not bring up pleasant memories, as well as conjectures as to what Duluth ladies serve their New Year's callers!

Jay Cooke has got his "facts" a little mixed, which is pardonable. As one of these alleged "facts" he tells his admirers that they must not praise him for his splendid work in chasing imposters, but should praise the head of the N. A. D., and that he has this "fact" direct from Seattle. Not so! Praise Jay Cooke all ye mundane hosts! Glory, land, and honor our Grand Chief of Police. But remember that it was the N. A. D. that set Jay Cooke chasing imposters, and that the N. A. D. needs and deserves a boost, while Mr. Howard gets the praise.

Nearly every school paper has commented on Mr. Howard's imposter work; but with one or two exceptions no mention whatever has been made of the N. A. D. In a private letter to Mr. Howard I commented on this fact. As Mr. Howard has brought the subject to public notice, I thank him for this opportunity to state the facts correctly.

Several months ago I informed Mr. Howard that I should be glad to have an appropriation from the treasury made for defraying the expenses of his work. He replied both privately and publicly that he did not need any money. A short time afterward, however, he issued a public appeal for funds to run an ad. in the Detective. I promptly called his attention in a private letter to my former proposition, and the fact that the N. A. D. was now in a position to furnish a limited amount for the purpose. He then told would-be contributors not to send him any money. He also informed me that several contributions had been returned, and that he could easily have secured all the money he needed. It was hardly necessary to return the money, and it was not done by my order. But as I have stated publicly it is better that all moneys should be sent to the association treasurer, and disbursed by the executive committee. If those who contribute money will send it to the treasurer, S. M. Freeman, Cave Springs, Ga., with the stip-

ulation that it shall be used in supressing imposters, the money will be so used, and due credit will be given in the treasurer's reports.

I have been asked why Mr. Hunt was allowed to solicit for the Industrial Bureau. Mr. Hunt had ambitious plans for his bureau, and at the time he started the N. A. D. was in no position to afford him any aid. He issued the appeal for funds on his own initiative, and as he has reported all receipts and expenditures to me and has always made it plain that his work was for the N. A. D., I have seen no occasion to interfere. The N. A. D. needs money to carry on its work, and is not in a position to refuse contributions made in good faith through any responsible channels.

Mr. Regensburg has received some subscriptions for the Colorado report in the same way, and the moving picture fund was collected by special collectors. But if every one holds out his hat for contributions the deaf will naturally get tired of it. Next December on Gallaudet's birthday all will be asked to contribute to the Gallaudet monument repair fund, as decided by the executive committee under instructions from the association. Meanwhile no other moneys should be asked for except contributions to the general treasury through membership and donations.

You may jump on Olof Hanson, as many have done. You may ridicule him, as Jay Cooke tries to do; you may drag him through the mud; but while I am president the banner of the N. A. D. will be held aloft.

I have a definite object in view. I want to make the N. A. D. an organization that can be of real help to the deaf at all times. Many are helping me. Others from whom support might properly be expected are not. I hope the latter will change and put their shoulders to the wheel. What the N. A. D. needs is more money. To get more money we need more members. Come and join the N. A. D.

OLOF HANSON.

Seattle, January 29, 1912.

NOT FROST BITTEN.

The newspapers have contained stories of a severe freeze near Vancouver, Wash., with destruction of fruit trees.

We are glad to say that the prune orchard of L. A. Divine did not suffer much damage.

MORE LIBERAL TERMS FOR NEW MEMBERS.

A motion is before the executive committee of the N. A. D. to make the terms for new members more liberal by extending the time for which the first or initiation payment pays dues. Under the present rules a person who joins in February is paid up only until the first of June, when he is expected to make the second payment. By the new rule it is proposed to extend the time a full year so that a new member who joins in February, 1912, is paid up to June 1, 1913. If he joins after March 1st, he is paid up to June 1st, 1914. The best time to join is between March 1st and June 1st, as it gives two years membership for the initiation fee of one dollar. Applications with \$1.00 should be sent to S. M. Freeman, Treasurer, Cave Springs, Ga.

MORE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THE DEAF.

Municipal Civil Service Commission of the City of New York, 229 Broadway, 11th Floor, New York, 12-19-11.

"I regret to inform you that your affliction makes you ineligible to compete in the examination for bookbinder."

The above information was given to Mr. Adam Singer, a deaf-mute who applied for examination under the New York City Civil Service Commission.

The N. A. D. has been asked to take a hand in the matter, and it will endeavor so to do. Discriminations have been reported from Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York. There is work for the N. A. D. Let us make the association a strong one with the names behind it to do real active work.

PAY MEMBERSHIP DUES BY MONEY ORDER—IF BY CHECK ADD 10 CENTS FOR EXCHANGE.

Treasurer Freeman writes that his banker has given notice that he will charge 10 cents exchange for collecting checks. So if you send check, add 10 cents for exchange. The best way, however, is to send money orders. Address S. M. Freeman, Treas., Cave Springs, Ga.

The report that the church for the deaf in Boston, of which Rev. E. Clayton Wyand is pastor, has been closed is denied by a letter to the Journal by Mr. Wyand himself. Weekly services will be held at the church as usual under the direction of Mr. Wyand, who may, however, follow some other occupation as well as that of minister to help establish the church services.

Alabama

The following, clipped from an Alabama paper, may be taken with a knowing smile by those "on the inside":

Deaf Mute Could Win the Pennant.

Manager James Callahan, of the Chicago Americans, has cast aside an offer which, if everything was justifiable in baseball, he believed would surely bring the 1912 pennant to his team, says a Chicago dispatch to an exchange.

It was an offer yesterday from a deaf mute who claimed to be an adept in lip reading.

"I have a scheme which will make your team pennant winners next season," was the sentence written on a card and placed before the manager.

"This is interesting at least," said the manager to his visitor.

Then a few motions of the fingers explained to the South Side leader that the man with the pennant in his grasp could not talk.

In a short time the manager was digesting the scheme, for his caller had it already written out.

It explained that the pennant could be easily won by allowing the mute with a strong pair of field glasses to take a position near the field or under the grandstand. By the aid of the glasses he would read the lips of the manager to his men between innings and the players on the field in whispered conversations. Then by the aid of an electrical contrivance connected with the home bench and a code of signals he could let it be known just exactly what kind of a game and what tricks the visitors were about to come out with.

Callahan wrote this answer:

"No doubt your plan would prove a winning out, but baseball is an honest game and I cannot consider it."

The Alabama Branch of the Gallaudet Alumni Association, which was successfully launched on New Year's eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, held its first regular meeting on the evening of January the 12th, Mr. and Mrs. Hofsteater being host and hostess.

The usual outburst of "college spirit" that a college crowd always generates was not wanting. Every one of the "old boys and girls" present "warmed up" to the occasion beautifully, there being hot college yarns handed out; also the Branch posed for its photo. Last, but not least, through the kindly forethought of the hostess excellent hot coffee and the necessary accompaniments fortified the jolly crowd for their work home in a snowstorm.

The Branch adopted a constitution, elected officers and set going all the machinery of a live organization.

CONTENTMENT.

It isn't raining rain to me,
It's raining daffodils;
In every dimpled drop I see
Wild flowers on the hills;
The clouds of gray engulf the day,
And overwhelm the town;
It isn't raining rain to me,
It's raining roses down.

It isn't raining rain to me,
But fields of clover bloom,
Where every buccaneering bee
May find a bed and room;
A health unto the happy!
A fig for him who frets!—
It isn't raining rain to me,
It's raining violets.

—ROBERT LOVEMAN.

The officers of the new Branch are as follows:

W. S. Johnson.....President
Mrs. J. M. Robertson...Vice President
J. H. McFarlane....Secretary-Treasurer

MONTANA BRIEFS.

John Anderson, teamster at the Boulder Institution, was in Wisdom, Big Hole Valley, visiting with relatives for the holidays.

It is reported that Supt. L. E. Milligan, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Bond each bagged an elk on their hunting expedition in Gallatin Valley. Mr. Bond, the engineer of the State School, escaped being shot as an elk. In the nick of time he noticed a "fool" hunter leveling his gun at him. He threw up his hands, shouting, "Stop that, me no elk."

Flathead Valley for two weeks, including the holidays, was enshrouded with zero weather and 14 inches of snow on the level. In places, due to location and different exposures, it was 16 to 22 below zero. Sleighing was fine, for the first time in several years, according to oldtimers. Farmers took advantage of the snow to haul as much as 10,000 pounds of

wheat on big bobsleds, drawn by four horses. All would have been hauled off to the market had not a chinook appeared and took away most of the snow in a couple of days. This valley being on the Pacific slope, 22 below is an exception. However, it is not disagreeable, as the wind does not blow and therefore it is easy to keep warm inside of a hut.

Grace K.—Your address is lost, and by this good little paper I wish to thank you for the Christmas card. You bet, I am still enjoying the Western life.

C. C. C.

BRIDE'S CALENDAR.

A January bride will be a prudent housekeeper and very good-tempered.

A February bride will be humane and an affectionate wife and tender mother.

A March bride will be a frivolous chatterbox, somewhat given to quarreling.

An April bride will be inconstant not very intelligent, but fairly good-looking.

A May bride will be handsome, amiable, and likely to be happy.

A June bride will be impetuous and generous.

A July bride will be handsome and smart, but a trifle quick-tempered.

An August bride will be amiable and practical.

A September bride will be discreet, affectionate and much liked.

An October bride will be pretty, coquettish, loving, but jealous.

A November bride will be liberal, kind but of a wild disposition.

A December bride will be well proportioned, fond of novelty, entertaining but extravagant.—Durham Sun.

One may win respect with a club, but one never wins love that way.—Ex.

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ADDRESS.....

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THREE DO NOT ALWAYS MAKE A CROWD.

The president, vice-president and secretary of our state organization, all being employed on these premises will act.—Editorial in Washingtonian.

Oh, well! Remember, though, that the Treasurer and all the money are in Seattle.

SPRING SENTIMENTS.

Pussy-willows in this locality have been out a month now, and gardens are being prepared for the spring sowing. The air has that fresh breeziness peculiar to early spring, and one delights in a rapid walk, in open windows, and the world looks better and brighter for the promise of the coming summer.

"Give fools their gold, and knaves their power,

Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall.

Who sows a field, or trains a flower,

Or plants a tree, is more than all."

LIGHT DAWNING.

In the current number of the Nebraska Journal Mr. Booth is quoted as favoring the learning of the two-handed alphabet by the pupils in our schools for the deaf. The idea is a good one, but we are surprised to find such a pronounced pure oralist as Mr. Booth favoring any method of communication with the hands. We supposed that with him it was forever and ever speech. Let us hope that having found some good in teaching the two-handed alphabet, time and experience will still further open his mind and heart, and he will give that defense and help to the proper use of the sign language that every true friend of the deaf should give.

Easter comes this year on April 7.

VALUE OF SIGNS RECOGNIZED.

While reading in the Journal the report of the investigation in California which led to the removal of Douglas Keith as superintendent of the school at Berkeley, we were struck by the description of the sign language given by the governor of California. It shows how an unbiased observant person regards this language when it is first considered by them. The view taken of it by the governor is the same as that held by our own hearing friends, to whom we have explained the value of the sign language, and shown examples of its use. We quote the governor:

"This language is not, as I supposed it to be prior to the investigation, the spelling out of words by letters. Here is a distinct language of itself, comparable perhaps, to shorthand, by which gestures, facial expression, pantomime and the like convey ideas.

"This language is of inestimable value to the deaf and dumb, whether one method or another be taught in school. It is a means by which they communicate with facility and rapidity among themselves, and the means by which speeches and lectures may be delivered among themselves. The deaf and dumb have lodges, gatherings and all assemblages just like other people, and in these assemblages their mode of communication is not by spelling out by letters, but by this sign language, in which orations may be delivered, speeches made and all things done from the platform that are done by those who are not deaf.

"During the taking of the testimony in the case there was in constant attendance a large number of the deaf, who followed with the most intense interest the translation of the interpreter of the testimony, and this translation apparently was made as rapidly as the testimony was given by speaking witnesses."

DEATH OF CECIL WATSON.

Mr. Cecil Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Watson, died in Portland, Or., on January 18, after a brief illness, from pneumonia. As he made frequent visits and spent several months at the Vancouver school, while his father was superintendent there, he was well known among the graduates and ex-pupils attending school at that time. Mr. Watson taught a term or two of school at the Minnesota school and several years at the Missouri school for the deaf. After he retired from the teaching profession he became a traveling man and made his home in Portland most of the time. He was about 40 years old.

READ AND REMEMBER.

The Observer is not responsible for errors in statements made by correspondents. If such errors occur, we are always glad to print corrections and present the other side, provided always that these corrections are courteous.

LANGUAGE STANDARDS.

A northern and a southern editor, both versatile with the pen, have lately run a tilt over a question deserving of more careful consideration than has been given it, namely the question of the decadence or improvement of the sign language.

The northern man asks why correct and uniform signs are not taught in our schools for the deaf.

The southerner regards the sign language as an alien medium of communication, deserving of no notice from school authorities, and gently informs the northerner that he has "entirely missed the point."

With this latter view we beg to disagree. We believe the northern editor, in his disinterested and unbiased outlook upon the situation confronting educators of the deaf today, touched upon a vital point.

Any language, to be a beautiful and effective vehicle of communication, must be cultivated. The sign language, like all other languages, may be used inaccurately, and there is no question but that it has deteriorated in the hands of some.

We yield space here to an excerpt from Weston Jenkins' excellent and unbiased analysis of the sign language that appeared in a recent issue of the Annals:

"Whatever may be the future of the sign language, it deserves the careful consideration of those interested in the deaf. If it is to continue in use, those who employ it should study to use it to the best advantage; if it is to become obsolete, this result can follow only from securing by means of spoken or alphabetical language the convenience, the pleasure and the benefit which most of the deaf find in this gesture language to which we may with special aptness apply the vivid Homeric phrase, 'winged words.'—Kansas Star.

OUR CHURCH WORK.

In the Seattle Churchman, published by Trinity parish, the rector, Rev. H. H. Gowen, has his yearly report, or letter, telling of the progress of the various organizations working in Trinity church. Of the services for the deaf he has this to say: "The mission to deaf mutes has continued its exceedingly interesting work throughout the year, largely through the personal service of Mr. and Mrs. Olof Hanson. Few realize how much these monthly gatherings in our crypt have been appreciated, and we trust the day is not far distant when a special missionary for this work may be engaged for the Pacific Coast."

INVESTING IN LAND.

Glenn Pierson, of Freeland, Wash., informs us that Wirt Case, of Stanwood, has bought ten acres at Freeland and may buy a house and six acres more soon. Mr. and Mrs. Case expect to move to that place this coming spring.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Olof Hanson is in Vancouver, Wash., on business this week.

P. L. Axling and family are now settled on 28th Ave. N. near Valley St., Madison car line.

Mrs. Alex Wade of Tacoma has been in town for a week. Alex came over to spend Sunday and attend the P. S. A. D. social.

Root & Christenson printed invitations on shingles this week for the wooden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harris. Mr. Harris is a brother of Roy Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. August Herman Koberstein returned from their wedding trip Monday looking as happy as happy could be. Their friends are glad to welcome them back and hope they will decide to remain in Seattle.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

Last Saturday evening a week ago a number of friends surprised Myrtle Hammond on her birthday anniversary. The young lady was immersed in the latest novel, and was genuinely astonished when her friends walked in and stood in a circle around her chair, congratulating her. Mabel Burnett engineered the affair, and she it was who later conducted a game of cards. Mrs. Swangren won the lady's prize, an envelope opener, and Olof Hanson that for gentlemen, a pennant. Refreshments were then served, the dining room being lighted by candles, and the crowd went home wishing Myrtle many more birthdays. The party had some unusual guests in the shape of a black cat and two imposters. The cat, a stray one, followed the crowd into the house and remained throughout the evening. The imposters were our friends, True Partridge and Mrs. Swangren. These two people, while they have both been educated at schools for the deaf and use signs fluently, constantly mingling with the deaf and well liked by them, can nevertheless hear. Mr. Partridge was not able to enter the public schools on account of an impediment of speech, and Mrs. Swangren, though born deaf, recovered her hearing in a large measure at the age of fifteen.

LIVELY SOCIAL.

The social last month was of more than ordinary interest.

Mrs. Swangren gave us Sheridan's Ride in a stirring manner.

A. W. Wright followed with a lecture, "The Five Great Religions." This was very instructive.

In the debate the subject was, "Is It Right to Recall Judges." True Partridge upheld the affirmative and Olof Hanson the negative. Mr. Partridge did well, but Mr. Hanson was at his best and delivered a greased lightning argument that took with the crowd, which won him the decision of the judges. The judges were Mrs. Wright, Mr. Wade and Miss Hammond.

A BRAND NEW BABY BOY.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown, of Dayton, Wash., are entertaining a new son. He arrived January 25th, and seems to be making an effort to say, "I like this place and am going to stay."

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A RAMBLE OR RUMBLE.

If anything the ladies of Seattle excel in the culinary art. We have long desired convincing proof that this excellency existed among the deaf ladies as well.

Last week we took our wife's electric runabout from the garage for a spin about the city, our object being by practical trial to obtain the knowledge sought.

We first called on Mrs. Klawitter in the south part of the city, where we surprised her taking from the oven a juicy ragout of small beef, which she served with corn fritters. We now know why Mr. Klawitter is so fat and jolly.

Miss Laura Sampson showed what she could do in preparing that delicious dish, saute of lamb kidney with mushrooms. She will probably secure some of the prizes at the Pure Food Show.

A call on Miss Hilda Peterson revealed her admiring a fine dish of fried finnan haddie with rasher of bacon. The man who gets Miss Peterson will not go to restaurants to eat.

Mrs. West at her home on 29th avenue convinced us that fricassee of lamb a la Julienne, when properly prepared, was equal to the national dish.

Starting down town we branched off and called on Mrs. Swangren for proof that she knew how to prepare broiled Toke Point oysters, country style. We were so well convinced that we accepted a second helping.

Mrs. Haire says her broiled salisbury steak with Brussels sprouts can not be beaten by any female in Seattle, and after eating them we coincided with her.

Miss Ethel Carr, who only cooks as a side line, can prepare prime rib of beef au jus fit for the Premier of Canada.

Miss Mable Burnett can concoct a dish of fried smelts with tartar sauce

that will arouse an appetite or break a fast at any time. Three helpings convinced us of that.

Miss Myrtle Hammond's specialty is steamed little neck clams with drawn butter. We were so well satisfied that we agreed to help along her leap year contest.

Mrs. Olof Hanson treated us to German pot roast with potato pancakes. We assured her it was as good as that to be had in the Fatherland.

We had heard a good deal of Mrs. J. E. Gustin's cooking and had an opportunity to try. Fried lye hominy with green peppers and salt pork was the dish she favored us with and we pronounced it the best we had had since we dined with Queen Victoria at Buckingham Palace.

The way Miss Grace Ziegler prepares braized leg of mutton with beans a la Brittonne should give her a big lead in the leap year contest.

We expected something extraordinary at Mrs. Wildfangs and were not disappointed. The fresh crab meat a la Newburg en Casserole was delicious and we secured a quart of it to take home.

But perhaps the best thing of all was the asparagus tips omelette a la Bichamel prepared by Mrs. A. W. Wright. It's a long time since we had anything like it. The peculiar ingredients which go to make up this dish probably have much to do with Mr. Wright's brilliancy.

Mrs. A. K. Waugh was preparing Alaska black cod with parsley sauce. We understand that Mr. Waugh discovered this dish during his Alaska trip.

We then tried a down town restaurant to see if a professional cook could anywhere near compare with what we had tasted during the afternoon, but found he could not.

We then put the runabout in the garage and went home to supper, tired and hungry, but satisfied. R.

WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Two Seattle men who do not wish their names made public have rented a hall, which they will tender free to the deaf on the evening of February 24th for a party. They have requested The Observer to mention the matter.

It is suggested that an admission of 25 or 50 cents be charged and the money thus raised go into the treasury. There will be no prizes, so all money raised will go in the treasury.

While the local society has not yet taken up the matter, we think the project is sure to meet with favor.

The deaf from out of town will doubtless be invited to attend.

LATER! It is now probable that the affair will be turned into a grand leap year party, calculated to excel anything ever before held in Seattle mutedom.

Ladies, secure your partners, for that date, early.

Envy often causes a world of trouble.

TO LEARN SIGNS AND PREACH TO THE DEAF.

Rev. Oscar Fedder, pastor of the Evangelistic Lutheran church in this city, is desirous of learning the sign language so as to preach to the deaf. He has already made a beginning. Rev. Fedder is a pleasant young man, and apparently one who would make rapid progress in signs. His home address is 2116 Union Street.

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PORLAND, ORE.

No news was sent from here for the last issue on account of ye scribes being away.

Many who know Cecil R. Watson will be grieved to know that he died on Jan. 18th of pneumonia, at the age of 42 years, after an illness of six days. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Watson, formerly superintendent and matron of the Vancouver school, and he used to teach at the Missouri school several years ago. He was one of the best known traveling men here for the past fifteen years. Besides his aged parents, he is survived by a widow and young daughter.

The Whist Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Young, Sat., Jan. 20th. A very pleasant time was had and dainty refreshments served.

Mr. Smock has returned from Omaha, Nebraska, and has a job at the South Portland car shop. No wonder everybody likes Portland so well. His wife and two children may follow in a couple of months.

On account of the great silver thaw on Jan. 6th, the P. D. L. Society meeting was put off till next Saturday, Feb. 3rd, when election of new officers will be had. All members are requested to be present.

Miss Ella Gerstle was very generous in inviting some of the ladies to her home last Saturday afternoon. She treated them to a moving picture show and then served a light lunch.

Sanford Spratlen entertained the frats and their wives to a bountiful supper at his home last Saturday, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Orson Fay were down Vancouver last Saturday to attend the frats' meeting, and stayed over night with Mr. and Mrs. Lines.

Miss Leona Penland of Ridgefield, Wash., spent several days with Miss Ella Gerstle.

Chas. Lynch, of Salem, has secured a position as collar-maker at the McComie Harness Co., where Chas. Lawrence has been employed three years.

After being out of work for three months, Robt. Lines lit back at the Oregon Furniture factory.

Jesse Craven, of Tillamook, is the latest addition to the deaf circle. His brother, Birdie, graduated from Galandet College last June, but has not as yet returned home.

Miss Estinger, of Vancouver, was down Sunday before last to attend church. Come again.

Claude Hollinger, of Forest Grove, is in town looking for a job.

The engagement of Miss Elsie Renwick to Clyde Litherland is announced. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Dona Smith have recently purchased a lot at Beaumont, a suburb, where they expect to build a home in the near future.

Miss Rose Essen, of Camas, Wash., was a visitor here Sunday.

The frats are going to give a masquerade social at the Eschle Hall, corner Second and Yamhill Sts., Feb. 24. The committee is to exert every effort to make the occasion an enjoyable one. Handsome prizes will be awarded to ladies and gents who will wear the prettiest and ugliest costumes and unknown Admission: Ladies, 15c, and gents, 25c.

Mrs. J. O. Reichle made a trip to Yamhill, Oregon, a fortnight ago to see an aunt of hers who was seriously sick.

Jake Gaberson, who was reported sick with malaria fever, is well and out again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brown have moved to 355 Knott St.

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

The regular meeting of the Spokane Association was held on Saturday evening, January 20th, at the home of Mrs. Keegan, North Wall street. President Frisby in the chair.

The secretary, treasurer and doorkeeper were absent and President Frisby found it necessary to appoint an acting officer for each of the vacancies.

The first matter passed upon was the entertainment for February 24th. A letter from the acting secretary of the Acme Club to President Frisby was read to the assembly. It announced that a party and masquerade dance had been already planned for the 24th for the benefit of the club.

It brought some objections and several of the members asked that a private party be held by the association. President Frisby called for a vote upon the matter and it favored the Acme Club 3 to 1. Several members again opposed it and Mrs. Smith announced that she would welcome all that wished to attend the association's party that they might do so by holding it at her home. It looked as if this would not look very successful and she later decided to change the date, holding the association's party on the 23rd (Friday) giving the 24th to the club.

Both parties agreed that this would be exactly fair, and so it was decided upon. Mr. Slightam was allowed the floor and explained in details as to what would the receipts go to.

This having taken up most of the evening a motion to adjourn was presented, seconded and accepted by the president.

Acme Club.

The Acme Club for Spokane is now certain.

With the support of all the Spokane papers the first meeting of the club was held at the home of Carl Carlson, Hotel Lynne.

A constitution was adopted. Rules will be Roberts' Rules of Order.

The officers elected were A. Ross Slightam, Pres.; William Henrich, V. P.; Kenneth Williams, Sec.; Frank Masopust, Treas.

The day of the regular meetings was not decided upon but was turned over to the board. Thursday is thought to be the favored day, thus in no way bothering the Spokane Association's meetings.

The membership is \$1 with a monthly due of 50c. Honorary membership one-half the regular fees. A masquerade party and dance will be held on February 24th at McVays hall, Front and Howard streets. Other information may be had by addressing Ross Slightam, 1503 Knox avenue, Spokane, Wash.

Further announcements will appear in the Observer.

The Spokane Chronicle had both its staff photographer and reporter at the meeting.

An attempt is underway to secure the Washington State Convention here if it is held in 1913. If not a Northwestern States Convention may be held.

At the first meeting of the club only a few members were present and only the prominent members were photographed by the staff man. Even though a large number of the Spokane mutes disfavor the club, Mr. Slightam declares it will in no way handicap the club's progress, as both deaf and hearing will be admitted to honorary membership, giving the club a wide open swing.

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LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Louis Fritz, a girl, November 15th. Congratulations!

Robert C. Hawvichorst returned home from Spreckles, Calif., two months ago, when the sugar factory closed for the winter.

Jacob Schmidt is located at Hillsdale, Oregon, employed at building dairyhouse, etc., on a ranch. He likes it first rate.

Mrs. Laverna Wornstaff and her mother run a boarding house. They are always busy at mealtime.

Miss Helen H. Young of Leon, Iowa, is staying in the city for the winter.

Miss A. E. Chenoweth, of Davenport, Iowa, is visiting her sisters, as well as her deaf friends here.

Samuel Waters, of Porterville, and Ed. Baldwin, of Weed, Calif., were the holiday visitors here.

M. M. Kinsley of Joplin, Missouri, is stopping in the city this winter.

Douglas Mitchelson brought his wife and three children from Denver, Colo., last November. He and his wife are peddling kitchen utensils.

Miss Amanuel Kent and mother came back to Pasadena from the east last November to stay there for a few months. Her mother is teaching school at two different places.

At the Literary Auxiliary meeting in Club Anapolis Hall, November 11. Leon Fisk delivered an essay.

Debate, Resolved that baseball is more interesting than automobile race. Affirmative side, Jas. H. McMechen and Arthur Nolen. Negative side, U. M. Cool and R. Depew. The affirmatives were victorious.

Miss Ella Duffy gave a declamation. November 25th, Omar Smith signed a pretty declamation; Miss Emma Schultz told a long story.

On December 16th, Resolved that there are many more inventions in the United States than any other nation in the world, was the subject of debate between J. W. Mills and Roscoe Depew. Mr. Depew won it.

On January 13, 1912, an opening hymn, "California for Mine," was given by Mrs. Abe Himmelschen. Talk on various principal subjects followed by J. Orrie Harris.

On December 30th the auxiliary elected new officers for a term of six months. Miss Ella Roy, president; Mr. J. W. Mills, vice-president, and Mrs. U. M. Cool, secretary. After this, E. M. Price took charge of the statue entertainment, acted by six ladies in about ten different positions. The audience admired them. A dialogue played by Mr. Price in disguise as New Year Man, and by Frank E. Ellis, as Old Year Man, was amusing.

The following are officers of Club Anapolis for the term 1912: J. Orrie Harris, president; A. W. Nolen, vice-president; U. M. Cool, secretary; M.

M. Miller, treasurer, and Leon A. Fisk, director.

The fifth annual banquet in remembrance of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, teacher, benefactor, friend, was observed by seventy-six mutes at Christopher's cafe, 5513 Broadway St., December 9th, at 8 p.m.

Menu.**Cream of Tomato**

Olives	Wafers	Pickles
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Fillet of Sole, Tartar Sauce		
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Shoe String Potatoes		Rolls
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Small Steak, with Mushrooms		
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French Fried Potatoes		
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Rolls		Peas
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Fruit Salad		
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Neapolitan Ice Cream		
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Cakes	Candy	Salted Almonds
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Small Coffee		
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Toasts.

Toastmistress, Mrs. Ulysses M. Cool.

Gallaudet, the Founder—Mr. Allen L. Waddell.

Clerc, Gallaudet's Associate — Mr. Leon Fisk.

The Deaf in Business—Mr. O. H. Regensburg.

The Abuse of Signs—Mr. N. V. Lewis.

Teacher of the Deaf—Prof. J. A. Kennedy.

Poem, the Gallaudet Monument—Misses Ella Roy, Ida Miller and Ella Duffy.

Committee of Arrangements—Mrs. Mrs. Ulysses M. Cool, William E. Dean, Norman V. Lewis, Mrs. Lavernia Wornstaff and Miss Jessie Woodburn.

Oscar H. Regensburg attempted to arrest an impostor at his home who had begged alms from house to house two weeks ago, but he suddenly escaped upon his hearing Oscar speak to another hearing man at his door.

Brother Oscar H. Regensburg had his left hand and fingers badly burnt last November 26th while starting fire in the stove. It suddenly dropped to floor. He has already got ten dollars from the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf for two weeks' disability. It's a good accident claim or benefit.

On December 10th, 1911, the Los Angeles Division, No. 27, of N. F. S. D., elected the following officers for the ensuing year, 1912: President, E. M. Price; vice-president, Simon Himmelschen; secretary, Leon A. Fisk; treasurer, Arthur W. Nolen; director, Milton M. Miller; sergeant-at-arms, August F. Schultz; trustees, J. Orrie Harris, for two-year, and Abe Himmelschein, three-year term.

Last December 2nd the Los Angeles Division held a successful financial bazaar at Club Anapolis Hall, which made a clear profit of \$40 for the local fund.

Upon third anniversary of founding the L. A. Division, No. 27, she showed up its installation of officers to the public at West End Odd Fellows' Hall,

2672 W. Pico St., with short remarks and free refreshments, Jan. 12th, at 8 p.m.

Z. L. Osmun was admitted to the Division No. 27 last Jan. 10th, and will be initiated at next meeting.

Bro. Isom P. Haworth became a member of the Division last November by transferring from Hansey Division, No. 29.

Last November 22nd, at Ulysses M. Cool's home, Mr. Wilford Christ Mortimer and Miss Avarilla Esther Kenworthy were united in marriage by Rev. Harvey Hazel, pastor of the Boyle Heights Christian church, at 8:30 p.m. Prof. J. A. Kennedy interpreted in sign language. Eighty of the ninety-six guests were mutes. Simon Himmelschein acted as groomsman and Miss Ella Roy as bride of honor. Esther's aunt was a bridesmaid and Misses Orpha Tong and Ella Duffy were assistant bridesmaids. Many useful wedding presents were given by the invited guests, which were shown on a large table. Refreshments were served. It was a novel wedding, which the hearing relatives admired very much. Mr. and Mrs. Haworth, of Long Beach, are the bride's cousins. Best greetings go with them.

Mrs. Wornstaff entertained a host of her lady friends at one o'clock luncheon at her boarding place in honor of Misses Amanuel Kent and Helen H. Young, last December 14.

Oscar H. Regensburg gave his "millionaire" deaf friends a reception at his home three weeks ago.

Axel M. Amundsen returned home from Oakland last January 4th, where he had been at his retouching work for five months.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Herman King, a boy, recently. Congratulations.

L. B. Cartwright was in the city on private business lately.

Miss Annabelle Kent and her mother think seriously of going back east in February. Surely we will miss Annabelle.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Terry of Santa Monica gave a large party to 44 mutes from Los Angeles January 20th. They enjoyed it royally.

Arnold Keene is popular among the mutes. He will probably bring his family down and live here near this city this summer.

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